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A2 Previously available techniques for obtaining coarse synchronization involved tuning a correlation device device for a specific direct sequence pattern, patterns and dwelling until a received bit sequence with a high correlation is obtained. This process requires a length of time ~~which~~ that is longer than the standard deviation of the initial time uncertainty.

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A3 In another embodiment, each of multiple receivers 105 is tuned to a different frequency and is used to obtain a different sample pattern during the sample time period. The process described above is then used to compare each of the sample energy patterns from the different operational frequencies to the expected energy patterns on those frequencies (as determined using the ~~hopping~~ hopping pattern). This provides additional information, and among other benefits, may eliminate the need for further verification of a synchronization candidate.